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TAGS: PFOR, NATO, XF, XI
SUBJECT: OUTLINE OF NATO EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON MIDDLE
EAST AND MAHGREB

REF: USNATO 0158

1. CHAIRMAN OF EXPERT GROUP HAS CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING
SUGGESTED OUTLINE FOR THE EXPERTS REPORT ON MIDDLE EAST AND
MHGREB, WHICH EXPERTS WILL PREPARE AT NATO MEETING TENTATIVELY
SET FOR MARCH 1-3. CHAIRMAN ASKS THAT POINTS SUGGESTED FOR
MAIN HEADING OF THE REPORT BE DEALT WITH IN NATIONAL
CONTRIBUTIONS SUBMITTED IN ADVANCE, AND THAT SUCH CONTRI-
BUTIONS REACH NATO BY FEBRUARY 21. US CONTRIBUTION SHOULD
ACCORDINGLY BE POUCHED TO USNATO, IF POSSIBLE, NO LATER THAN
TEN DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THAT DATE.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF OUTLINE:

ORIGINAL: FRENCH 24TH JANUARY, 1977 POLADS (77)5

MEMORANDUM
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TO: POLITICAL COMMITTEE
FROM: CHAIRMAN OF THE EXPERT GROUP

EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE MAGHREB

ATTACHED IS A DRAFT OUTLINE FOR THE REPORT ON THE
SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE MAGHREB TO BE PREPARED
BY THE EXPERTS AT THEIR NEXT MEETING IN BRUSSELS. THE DATE
OF THE MEETING WILL BE CONFIRMED LATER. SUBJECT TO THE
APPROVAL OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE, IT IS PROPOSED THAT

I BE HELD FROM TUESDAY 1ST TO THURSDAY 3RD MARCH, 1977.

2. THE ABOVE-MENTIONED OUTLINE CONTAINS THE MAIN HEADINGS UNDER WHICH IT IS SUGGESTED THE REPORT BE FORMULATED. SHOULD ANY EXPERT WISH TO SUBMIT A MORE DETAILED REPORT ON A SPECIFIC QUESTION WHETHER OR NOT IT IS INCLUDED IN THE SUGGESTED OUTLINE ATTACHED AT ANNEX, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT IN ORDER TO AVOID POSSIBLE OVERLAPPING, THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHOULD BE ADVISED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT IT CAN NOTIFY THE OTHER EXPERTS.

3. THE EXPERTS HAVE URGED THAT AS MUCH TIME AS POSSIBLE SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE GENERAL DISCUSSION. TO THIS END, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS SHOULD REACH THE CAPITALS WELL BEFORE THE EXPERTS LEAVE FOR NATO; CONTRIBUTIONS SHOULD THERE, REACH NATO BY 21ST FEBRUARY, 1977 SO THAT THEY CAN BE CIRCULATED IN GOOD TIME. THE REPORTS SHOULD BE TYPED IN DOUBLE SPACING, RECTO ONLY, TO PREFACED BY A SHORT TABLE OF CONTENTS AND PAGES AND PARAGRAPHS SHOULD BE NUMBERED. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF 60 COPIES OF THESE DOCUMENTS COULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO (FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR. M.J. JORDAN, EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT).

4. UNDER THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR EXPERTS' MEETINGS AS AGREED BY THE COUNCIL ON 4TH OCTOBER, 1961, THE REPORT IS CONFIDENTIAL

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TO BE DRAFTED BY THE EXPERTS THEMSELVES; IT IS NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT CONCLUSIONS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT NEED NOT BE ACCEPTED UNANIMOUSLY ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT DISSENTIENT VIEWS SHOULD ALSO BE RECORDED, IF THE DISSENTING PARTY SO WISHES. THE REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL IN PERMANENT SESSION IMMEDIATELY ON COMPLETION. THE COUNCIL WILL TAKE NOTE OF THEM AND, IF IT SEES FIT, WILL SUBMIT THEM UNCHANGED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, TO THE NEXT MEETING OF MINISTERS. THESE REPORTS DO NOT, OF COURSE, COMMIT GOVERNMENTS ON MATTERS OF POLICY.

5. EXPERTS MAY WISH TO CONSULT DOCUMENT C-M(76)67 DATED 19TH NOVEMBER, 1976 PRIOR TO THEIR MEETING. (SIGNED)
J. DE BEAUSSE

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POLITICAL SITUATION
- EGYPT, SYRIA, JORDAN: INTERNAL SITUATION AND POLICY
TOWARDS ISRAEL
- ATTITUDE OF THE OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES
- PALESTINIAN PROBLEM
- PROSPECTS FOR A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IN GENEVA OR
ESLEWHERE

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- INTERNAL SITUATION AND FOREIGN POLICY OF MOROCCO,
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- LIBYA: INTERNAL SITUATION, FOREIGN RELATIONS, IN
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EAST

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